UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Case No. 1:02-cr-176-SEB-TAB-01

ORDER ON MOTION FOR v.

SENTENCE REDUCTION UNDER

18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A)

JAMES VELEZ (COMPASSIONATE RELEASE)

Upon motion of \boxtimes the defendant \square the Director of the Bureau of Prisons for a reduction in sentence under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A), and after considering the applicable factors provided in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a) and the applicable policy statements issued by the Sentencing Commission, IT IS ORDERED that the motion is:

☐ DENIED.

☐ DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

☑ DENIED AS MOOT: Defendant James Velez filed a motion for compassionate release on October 13, 2020. Dkt. 8. The Court appointed counsel to represent Defendant, and counsel

appeared on Defendant's behalf. Dkts. 11, 15. On January 6, 2021, the Department of Justice filed

a notice of death, stating that Mr. Velez passed away on December 28, 2020. Dkt. 16. The Bureau

of Prisons' website also confirms that Mr. Velez passed away on December 28, 2020. See

https://www.bop.gov/inmateloc/_(last visited Jan. 8, 2021). Accordingly, Mr. Velez's motion for

compassionate release, dkt. [8], is denied as moot.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: __1/11/2021

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SARAH EVANS BARKER, JUDGE **United States District Court** Southern District of Indiana